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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICATION OF )  
THOMAS SCHOLL (DECEASED) ET AL ) GROUP NO.: 1714  
SERIAL NUMBER: 09/980,882 ) EXAMINER: K. I. WYROZEBSKILEE  
FILED: NOVEMBER 2, 2001 )  
TITLE: DIENE RUBBERS CONTAINING )  
CARBOXYL GROUPS )

**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on August 26, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on November 26, 2003. The Examiner's rejections have been carefully considered, and in view of the remarks and claim amendments, reconsideration and early allowance of Claims is courteously requested.

Kindly amend the application as follows:

**Amendment to the Specification** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendment to the Claims:** a listing of claims begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Amendment to the Drawings:** None.

**Remarks and Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

**Appendix:** Abstract of Disclosure.

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